Algoasaurus

Algoasaurus (/ælˌgoʊ.əˈsɔːrəs/; "Algoa Bay reptile") is a genus of sauropod dinosaur from the Berriasian-early Valanginian-age Early Cretaceous Upper Kirkwood Formation of Cape Province, South Africa. It was a neosauropod; although it has often been assigned to the Titanosauridae,[1][2] there is no evidence for this, and recent reviews have considered it to be an indeterminate sauropod.[3][4]

The type species, *A. bauri*, was named by Robert Broom in 1904 from a back vertebra, femur and an ungual phalanx. The fossils were recovered in 1903 from a quarry by workmen who did not recognize them as dinosaur specimens, so many of the bones were made into bricks and thus destroyed.[5] The animal may have been around 9 m (30 ft) long when it died.[6]

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Temporal range: Early Cretaceous, 140–125 Ma

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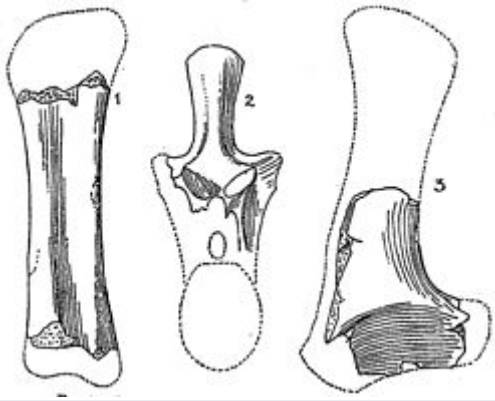

Femur, vertebra and scapula (holotype)

Scientific classification	
Kingdom:	Animalia
Phylum:	Chordata
Class:	Sauropsida
Superorder:	Dinosauria
Order:	Saurischia
Suborder:	†Sauropodomorpha
Infraorder:	†Sauropoda
Genus:	†***Algoasaurus*** Broom, 1904
Binomial name	
†***Algoasaurus bauri*** Broom, 1904	

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